
Introduced by Senator Jackson

July 3, 2014

Senate Resolution No. 55—Relative to reproductive health.

1 WHEREAS, California has always prioritized women’s health
2 care; and

3 WHEREAS, Any decisions to use contraceptives should be
4 made by a woman in consultation with her health care providers
5 and not her employer; and

6 WHEREAS, The United States Supreme Court has previously
7 recognized in *Planned Parenthood of Southeastern Pennsylvania*
8 *v. Casey* (1992) 505 U.S. 833, 856, that “[t]he ability of women
9 to participate equally in the economic and social life of the Nation
10 has been facilitated by their ability to control their reproductive
11 lives”; and

12 WHEREAS, There is concern that corporations may attempt to
13 misuse the precedent set by *Burwell v. Hobby Lobby Stores, Inc.*
14 (2014) 573 U.S. ____ to unduly restrict women’s health care
15 options or seek religious exemptions from other generally
16 applicable laws; now, therefore, be it

17 *Resolved by the Senate of the State of California*, That the Senate
18 of the State of California recognizes the critical importance of a
19 continued commitment to reproductive health care and access; and
20 be it further

21 *Resolved*, That the Secretary of the Senate transmit copies of
22 this resolution to the President and Vice President of the United
23 States, to the Speaker of the House of Representatives, to the
24 Majority Leader of the Senate, to each Senator and Representative

- 1 from California in the Congress of the United States, and to the
- 2 author for appropriate distribution.

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